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# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CONSUMER AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMISSION

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## Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 23, 2021  
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

### Meeting Held via Teleconference

**Item 1: Call to Order** Chair Ostroy called the meeting to order at 10:36 AM.

**Item 2: Roll Call and Confirmation of Quorum** Roll call was taken, and the quorum requirement was not met. Quorum was met at 10:40 AM.

**Present**        **1<sup>st</sup> District:** Farrell Chiles, Mike Gomez  
                      **2<sup>nd</sup> District:** Gregory Gorman, Ronnie Jayne  
                      **3<sup>rd</sup> District:** Michelle Katz, Joan Patsy Ostroy  
                      **4<sup>th</sup> District:** Scott Houston, Charline Sistrunk  
                      **5<sup>th</sup> District:** Vivian Chan, Harry Leon

**Absent**         **1<sup>st</sup> District:** Mark Ramos  
                      **2<sup>nd</sup> District:** Eugene Hale  
                      **3<sup>rd</sup> District:** None  
                      **4<sup>th</sup> District:** Mark Waronek  
                      **5<sup>th</sup> District:** Daniel Deng

**Staff**            Maggie Becerra, Maritza Gutierrez, Renee Vasquez, Keven Chavez, Marissa Lao,  
                      Sayuj Panicker (County Counsel), Francisco Mendez

**Public**         None

### Item 3: Approval of Consumer Affairs Advisory Commission (CAAC) Minutes

Commissioner Jayne moved to approve the minutes of the CAAC meeting for July 15, 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Leon. Motion was passed unanimously via voice vote.

### Item 4: Updated Information on the Repeal of Executive Order N-29-20

Francisco Mendez, Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA) Commission Services Liaison, shared information on the eventual repeal of Executive Order N-29-20, which suspended certain Ralph M. Brown Act provisions. Brief information on Assembly Bill (AB) 361 was also shared. Updates on AB 361, and information on the procedures will be shared at a future CAAC meeting.

### Item 5: DCBA – Virtual Event Schedule and CAAC Participation

Francisco Mendez shared information on an upcoming DCBA hosted virtual webinar where the CAAC is invited to attend and participate. The webinar has been scheduled for October 6, 2021, at 12:00 PM. Information on the webinar subject, and access information will be shared when available.

### **Item 6: CAAC Standing Item: Commissioner Report on Supervisorial District Needs**

Commissioner Gomez provided a comprehensive report regarding the need for affordable housing options, mortgage assistance programs, home ownership programs, and shared the concerns that residents within his community had regarding the eviction moratorium and its upcoming expiration. Commissioner Gomez recommended that the County of Los Angeles develop a survey to determine what are the most prevalent needs on Los Angeles County, and develop programs to address those needs.

### **Item 7: DCBA – American Rescue Plan (ARP) Proposals**

Renee Vasquez, Consumer and Business Affairs Specialist for DCBA, shared information on proposals that were submitted by DCBA for approval under the ARP. Amongst the shared updates and information, Ms. Vasquez mentioned that the Department is currently in the planning and development phase for the proposals that were approved.

### **Item 8: CAAC Legislative and Public Information Committee Updates**

Commissioner Jayne, Chair of the Public Information Committee, stated that the Committee received a presentation on the GetAheadLA website and received a DCBA public outreach update. Commissioner Leon, Chair of the Legislative Committee, stated that the Committee received a presentation on the County of Los Angeles Eviction Moratorium.

### **Item 9: DCBA Department Update**

Maggie Becerra, Deputy Director of Consumer Counseling for DCBA, shared information on investigations conducted by the Department on violations made against consumers and on claims made against employers for wage violations.

### **Item 10: Future Agenda Items**

- Eviction Moratorium
- Update on Cannabis Regulations
- Senate Bills 9 and 10
- 2022 Meeting Calendar
- Nominations and Elections
- AB 361

### **Item 11: Public Comment**

None

### **Item 12: Adjournment**

Commissioner Leon moved to adjourn the CAAC meeting. Commissioner Chan seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 12:03 PM.